

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

ORDER NO. 2610

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served September 25, 1984

Application of THE AIRPORT CONNEC-) Case No. AP-84-38
TION, INC., for a Certificate of)
Public Convenience and Necessity)
to Conduct General Charter)
Operations)

By application filed September 10, 1984, The Airport Connection, Inc., seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity to transport passengers and their baggage, in charter operations, between points in the Metropolitan District.

TAC states that it will apply the same rates and regulations to this service as are contained in its Tariff No. 2. Presumably applicant means to reference its WMATC Temporary Authority Tariff No. 1, Supplement No. 1, effective July 1, 1984, which prescribes charters rates as follows:

<u>VEHICLE SIZE</u>	<u>HOURLY RATE *</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>
11-Passenger	\$25.00	\$100.00
22-Passenger	35.00	140.00
40-Passenger or larger	40.00	160.00

* A 20 percent surcharge applies to service requested less than four hours prior to the time the vehicle is needed.

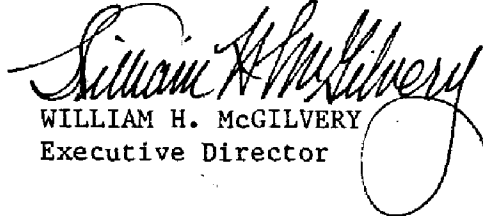
TAC's equipment list shows 26 11-passenger vans and five 21-passenger minibuses, all of 1984 vintage. Applicant's balance sheet, dated June 30, 1984, shows current assests of \$129,979, total assets of \$872,069, current liabilities of \$356,475, long-term liabilities of \$522,917 and a negative equity of \$7,324. Obviously, TAC's current equity/current debt ratio of .365 is a matter of some concern. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1984, TAC reports income of \$672,437 and operating expenses of \$667,231 for an operating ratio of .922. Interests expense of \$13,531 resulted in a net deficit of \$8,324.

Title II, Article XII, Section 4(b) of the Compact requires that this matter be set for a public hearing. TAC will be assessed a sum estimated to cover the expenses which Title II, Article XII, Section 19(a) of the Compact requires an applicant to bear.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Case No. AP-84-38 is hereby scheduled for public hearing to commence Tuesday, October 30, 1984, at 9:30 a.m., in the Hearing Room of the Commission, 1625 I Street, N.W., Room 314, Washington, D.C. 20006, and to continue from day to day thereafter until concluded.
2. That applicant publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, and post continually and conspicuously in each of its vehicles through the date of public hearing, notice of this application and hearing in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission, no later than Tuesday, October 2, 1984, and present at the hearing affidavits of said publication and posting.
3. That any person desiring to protest the application shall file a protest in accordance with Commission Rule No. 14, or any person desiring to be heard on this matter shall so notify the Commission, in writing, no later than Tuesday, October 16, 1984, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest or notice on counsel for applicant, Jere W. Glover, Esquire, 1725 K Street, N.W., Suite 308, Washington, D.C. 20006.
4. That applicant is hereby assessed \$1,500 pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 19 of the Compact, and is directed to deliver said amount to the office of the Commission, 1625 I Street, N.W., Suite 316, Washington, D.C. 20006, no later than Tuesday, October 23, 1984.

FOR THE COMMISSION:


WILLIAM H. MCGILVERY
Executive Director